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A festival atmosphere provides cultural learning at Winter Camp 2017

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Wood smoke curled into the sky and the sound of people's cheerful voices filled the cold winter air behind the Tribal Office Building in Black River Falls.

About 300 people attended the Winter Camp 2017, held on Saturday, Jan. 28. Half of those in attendance were children, and all came to enjoy the festivities.

The cultural event was the creation of Heritage Preservation Executive Director Jon Greendeer.

"Winter Camp 2017 was an attempt to showcase a few small but intriguing parts of a vast way of life many of us don't get to see or experience in today's times," Greendeer said. "Although we have lost much, dwelling on our losses is not the key to the survival of Ho-Chunk way of life. Celebrating and passing down what we have, is."

The effort was a pilot program to see if the event was a good way to open doors to many people, especially the people who may not have access or who may not have felt particularly welcomed into this realm,

Greendeer said.

Three tents utilized were from the Ho-Chunk Camp set up at the Oceti Sakowin site in Cannonball, North Dakota during the NoDAPL gathering of Water Protectors.

"Our communities hold men, women, elders, children, native, non-native, educated, experienced, from many walks of life. We want everyone a part of it even though we know some stations may be geared more specifically for a different group," Greendeer said. "For this reason, planning was careful to make sure there was a little something for everyone. We all live together and our practices have relied heavily on communal living and responsibilities."

Tent One allowed visitors to witness the metamorphosis from black ash log to basket or naa paa. Henning Garvin got the point across by explaining the conditions where black ash grows, how it is selected, and the work it takes to get it out of the woods. Greg Blick provided information about the invasion of the Emerald Ash Borer and the effects on black ash trees, which are used for making baskets in Ho-Chunk culture.

"People want to learn to make baskets and think they're going to have all this material ready to start weaving baskets. It doesn't work like that," Garvin said.

As he demonstrated pounding the logs to lift the straps from the growth rings, Josie Lee and Henning's wife, Kjetil, highlighted the



A fire in the center of the camp provides some warmth and an opportunity to sit down and relax. Surrounding the fire are several tents that provide opportunities to learn cultural skills and practices.

next phase of sorting and separating the materials so it can be used for weaving or ribboning. Guests found this process extremely exacting and ultimately learning that there is a lot of work before the "work" actually begins.

"In the end, a fantastic element of beauty is created and now that folks know what's behind it, there is more value attributed to that fine art," Greendeer said.

Tent Two took participants through all the steps needed to go from fresh off the deer hide to moccasins and other buckskin materials. Levi and Verna Blackdeer joined Roger and Junior Littlegeorge to show people how they scrape the flesh and hair off the hide to remove any fat and membrane that would

prevent the brain solution from soaking into the hide.

Verna explained that pork brain is typically used in a cooked broth and worked into a scraped hide. Once done, it is thoroughly wrung and stretched on a rack. The hide may need to be scraped several times and worked into the material for hours. There is never a guarantee the final product will be soft or usable. If not, you start all over, she said.

Elena Greendeer, a master leatherworker, told visitors what she looks for when buying a hide, knowing that not all hides are the same or can fill the project she is working on. The size, softness, evenness of the coloring (from smoking), and holes and blemishes all play

factors on whether a hide will sell for \$350 or \$1,000.

Tent Three brought visitors a little closer to the finer and more intricate arts of the Ho-Chunk people. Both Rita Kingswan and Kirsten Day showed visitors the work and patience behind detailed finger weaving for yarn

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Want something special placed in the Hocak Worak? Limited space is available so send your request in early. Submissions will be handled on a first come first serve basis.



One of the most popular aspects of Winter Camp 2017 is storytelling, held in the ciiporoke with a capacity crowd. Storytelling can only be performed during winter when there is snow on the ground.

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The Ho-Chunk Nation laws are a roadmap to our stability

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

Recent news about out-sourcing the Food and Beverage and Group Sales portions of our flagship casino in Baraboo led me to research how the Business Department Executive Director could be the sole individual making the decision that would affect a couple hundred employees losing their jobs within the Ho-Chunk Nation.

What I discovered was that leadership of the Business Department was not designed to be the sole responsibility of an individual, but instead a Business Department Board of Directors was supposed to be established to help the department develop its goals, objectives, and strategic plan.

The board requirement was written into the Business De-

partment Establishment Act of 2001 by the Legislature. The Act is current law of the Ho-Chunk Nation that hasn't been adhered to since, what appears to be, its inception.

Creating these Establishment Acts is a constitutional requirement of the Legislature. Establishing these board of directors is the responsibility of the President of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Oddly enough, there is no Establishment Act for the Office of the President.

Why are our public officials ignoring our laws? Are they stuck in a rut of lawlessness? The way I read our laws, they certainly are.

Much like the profitability of our flagship casino's Food and Beverage Department over the course of 14 years, our government has under-

achieved its constitutionally mandated requirements for going on 16 years.

How sad? Are they are leading a stable government or, in reality, maybe they don't know what they are doing from day to day?

What's the use of a law if it's not enforced? Is it for the appearance of order?

Each department is supposed to have an Executive Director and a Board of Directors to help guide the nation in achieving its goals and objectives. Without properly abiding in our current and active laws, we can't move forward in achieving any type of goal, governmental or business-related.

Our Ho-Chunk Nation website has a Government tab listing Board and Commissions that lists seven boards: Ethics

Review, Grievance Review, TERO Commission, Health Accreditation, Elder Advisory, Constitutional Task Force, and Trust and Investment.

Our elected officials got rid of three of these boards: Grievance Review, TERO, and Constitutional Task Force.

We were at least told our TERO would return in six months as a new and improved law, which most likely means with less oversight. Now, it's been over a year since TERO Ordinance was repealed. The other two were just completely ended.

Our constitution doesn't even include the words, repeal, when speaking about creating and amending laws. Repealing a law isn't an authority given to the legislature as it is written.

It seems our elected of-

ficials are out to weaken our sovereignty.

In our current situation, we can't trust federal, state, or tribal governments.

Is it responsible leadership to ask so much of an individual rather than a board?

When executive leadership changes, a board of directors would remain while executive directors change. That would provide governmental consistency on to achieve departmental goals and objectives year after year.

Not only would our officials operate lawfully and constitutionally, we'd improve on government consistency. That's not a bad thing.

Let's follow our laws and our roadmap to stability.

Dear Editor

I am submitting this letter after reading the January 27, 2017 Hocak Worak. The article "Employees concerned at possibility of Food and Beverage outsourcing" caused me to wonder if the Legislature, the Attorney General and Legislative Counsel knew the repercussions of their actions when they negotiated a contract with the Executive Director of Business on December 8, 2015. Listed below are the minutes where a Motion by VP Darren Brinegar to adopt Resolution 12-08-15 K was made and seconded by Rep. Kathy DeCamp for the confirmation of Robert Mudd as Executive Director of Business. Motion carried 10-0-0. This leads me to my questions below regarding the outsourcing of jobs held by the Ho-Chunk People.

February 12, 2016 Hocak Worak Vol. XXX Issue 3, PAGE 11 LEGISLATIVE Huuc wiihiraagnira 12, 2016 HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE REGULAR MEETING TRIBAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI DECEMBER 8, 2015 - MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt Resolution 12-08-15 K, Confirmation of Robert Mudd to the Position of Executive Director of the Department of Business, pending updated background investigation, and successful passing of that, providing a new set of fingerprints, upon approval of contract by the Attorney General and recommended changes by Legislative Counsel Michael Murphy. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 10-0-0 MOTION CARRIED Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit returns. I omitted motions and the Executive Session leading up to the final motion due to length but you can always verify what lead up to it in the dated Hocak Worak newsletter online or the copy you receive.

I have many questions but let me start with, when and where did the Executive Director of Business negotiate a

contract with the Legislature, the Attorney General – Justice, and Legislative Counsel Michael Murphy? Was it while he was contracted to build the now defunct HCN Legislative Audit Department? What is the length of the contract? What kind of financial compensation was awarded to the Executive Director of Business? Is it true that a \$190,000 a year salary was negotiated by the Executive Director of Business, the Legislature, the Attorney General and the Legislative Counsel? The Ho-Chunk People have a right to know this information. Is this transparency for the Ho-Chunk People?

In the January 27, 2017 Hocak Work, Vol. XXXI, Issue 2, the article on the Front Page is "Employees concerned at possibility of Food and Beverage outsourcing." The article states that Executive Director of Business Robert Mudd issued a memo on Jan. 9, confirming that outsourcing is a possibility and explaining that rumors of employees losing their jobs are false. "Why outsourcing? First and foremost is the lack of positive cash flow from this area. Net income has been in the negative for a very long time. Who is at fault for this consistent loss of positive revenue is anyone's guess," the memo stated.

The Executive Director of Business stated in the article, "Can I fix the problem? I don't know," Mudd said. But the Executive Director of Business obviously negotiated a lucrative contract with the Legislature, the Attorney General and the Legislative Counsel to correct the business problems that plague the Ho-Chunk Nation's enterprises. What expertise does this lucrative contract require and what does it provide to the Nation for Mr. Mudd's services? The Executive Director of Business should have at least one idea how to correct these problems with Food and Beverage or is this outside

his realm of expertise? He has been in the position since December 8, 2015. Shouldn't the Executive Director have had a business plan for all of our operations in those 12 months by now? Was he contracted by the Legislature, Attorney General and Legislative Counsel to outsource our Food and Beverage operations and Jobs to begin with? This is something that has to be considered.

Should the Legislature, the Attorney General and the Legislative Counsel be held responsible for a person who cannot fulfill his contract? Didn't they negotiate his contract? Is the Legislature, the Attorney General and Legislative Counsel aware of the repercussions of their actions and that they are supposed to be serving in the best manner possible for the wellbeing of the Ho-Chunk Nation? Where was our President during all of this? According to different Community Area Meeting Minutes, the Ho-Chunk People have questions regarding the contracts of the construction vendors and if the contracts are being honored. Shouldn't we also ask about Mr. Mudd's contract and if he is honoring it?

The Bingo Halls, Casinos, and Smoke Shops were built to provide employment and revenue for the Ho-Chunk People and now the Executive Director of Business is considering outsourcing Food and Beverage? Food and Beverage is only one department of a casino, if the Executive Director of Business cannot straighten out one department without outsourcing it, then shouldn't his contract be re-evaluated, or is he living up to the requirements of his contract established by the Legislature to outsource our Food and Beverage operations? By his own admission in this statement, "Can I fix the problem? I don't know," he doesn't know. Why not get someone who can say they do know how to fix the problem and fix it without outsourcing

our jobs and revenue to Non-Ho-Chunk organizations. We had other outsourced management contracts and they failed miserably, remember Golden Nickel.

The Executive Director of Business position has always have been blamed for the failures of the businesses and they were let go, why isn't that being done now? Mr. Mudd seems to be one of the few Executive Directors to receive a contract. Why? What makes him special? If he is special, then why is he contracting our jobs and revenue away which the Ho-Chunk People need to support their families? Why can't he fix this one department when he has had the chance so many times before? After all, he is a "Business Consultant" who has served less than two years in many of his other positions in Indian Country. Why is that? Is it because he couldn't fix the problems for other Tribes? We all know he started with the Nation and has been in that same position several other times, why didn't he fix this problem every time he was in the same exact position as Executive Director of Business? Maybe his only solution is to let someone else fix the problem at our expense and the expense of the Ho-Chunk Nation business operations. He has had a year to come up with a plan yet he is planning on outsourcing our jobs and

revenue, so who is to blame for this contracted employee? Remember the motion carried 10-0-0 by the Legislature and the contract was approved by the Attorney General.

Won't we lose money by paying the outsourced Food and Beverage company our marketing comp dollars for meals and drinks, we don't own them? How much more will we have to pay for the free drinks on the gaming floors if those services are outsourced? How much money will be spent paying an outside company for all of this and more importantly, how much will we get back? A good number to begin with would be the unconfirmed amount of \$190,000 a year being paid to Executive Director of Business leading up to the outsourcing contract for Food and Beverages in our casinos.

Many Ho-Chunk employees are asking these questions because it affects their ability to feed their families and pay their bills. The Ho-Chunk employees don't make the salaries of the Legislature at \$32 an hour nor do they have a contracted position making as much as the present Executive Director of Business.

This letter is being respectfully submitted for the continued employment of the Ho-Chunk People.

Joyce Warner #2431, Haashoni, Bear Clan.

GAAGA SAYS,

“Don’t lay around during the day, you should be up when the sun is up.”

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Winter Camp

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belts and paxges (a traditional hairpiece worn by Ho-Chunk women).

“Both artists are so incredibly talented and knowledgeable, beyond these two art forms, and were able to expound on a variety of other topics,” Greendeer said.

On display outside the camp were a variety of wooden bowls and spoons guests were welcome to closely examine.

Later, Randall Blackdeer Jr. (a.k.a. Naatisak) broke out his traditional lacrosse and double ball stick crafting operation. He demonstrated every phase of the operation from the original shagbark hickory (his preferred media) log down to a detailed and intricate element of what is referred to as “The Creator’s Game.” Naatisak believes he may be the only crafter of these sticks in this nation of over 7,600 members. Certainly, a great addition to feature at the camp.

The “Big Top” tent housed some of the members of the Wakajaxunu (Little Thunder) singers who opened the drum to any male singer who wished to join and sing for their first time, Greendeer said. As well, the members were taught about the songs they sung and some of the “rules” singers and drum keepers must be mindful of before the first song is sung.

The centerpiece of the grounds was a bonfire – a place to warm up or engage in conversation.

“We thought we had enough s’mores supplies to last the day. We thought wrong,” he said.

One of the most popular sites was facilitated by James Blackdeer. Challengers stepped up to play some Snow Snake, firing a carved stick down a trench made in a 300 foot channel of snow. They had a championship round and gave prizes for the longest distance.

The ciiporoke was fully utilized to house games from Paula (Winneshiek) Cleveland and Rita Kingswan who had guests join her in some kaasu (kon-suh) and pinaga. Later on, Larry Walker brought on the very competitive moccasin game where players are either hiding or seeking a shell un-

der four covers or moccasins, while a singer continued on a hand drum until the seeker chose the correct hiding place.

George Heezazuc Garvin along with his nephew, Greg Blackdeer, made sure the traditional style soups were done to perfection. Over 130 pounds of beef, chicken, pork, and venison met its match when visitors discovered there’s a big difference in how the food is prepared, Greendeer said. As well, corn was prepared the same way and sweetened for a desert.

To compliment this meal, Margaret “Muggs” Garvin, Fawn Smith, and Rio Elise Greendeer fired up the stoves at the Legion Post 129 bldg. and made several batches of frybread.

“The cafeteria at the Tribal Office Building offered the perfect atmosphere for masters like Myra Jo Price and Eliza Green who can turn yards of fabric star quilts, ribbon shirts, dresses, applique designs, and the list goes on,” Greendeer said. “They said they could have used several more instructors because there’s so much to teach but there’s no doubt, their onlookers know how to begin their projects and where to look for guidance.”

Every site was furnished with cards that related to the specific activity by the Language Division staff. These cards held several related words and phrases so that when someone decided to begin their activity, they could do so in the Ho-Chunk language. Even though staff was on site to assist in the pronunciation of these words and phrases, they remain “on call” to assist anyone anytime to promote the everyday use of the language.

Finally, the closing feature was held in the ciiporoke with Waika (winter stories) by Elliott Garvin and Maxine Kohner. Nearly 80 people huddled together in the dwelling to hear about how the fox got the white tip on his tail, the battle between the Thun-

ders and the Water Spirits at what is now called Devil’s Lake, and how the yellow tassels of the corn was all that was left from a young non-native girl who disappeared.

Volunteers made the event a lot easier to conduct, especially when considering the number of stations provided and the resources used.

“We barely had to ask for help. The concept alone was absolutely magnetic,” Greendeer said.

“I can’t tell you where or what help was most appreciated but the Ho-Chunk Nation DNR and Maintenance Crew deserve a great portion of the applause,” he said. “Members of the Office of the President and the Legislature also were present to help. It reminded me of something I heard - that it’s better to get a little from many than a lot from a few.”

Given the positive response from this first camp, organizers are enthused about setting up Spring Camp 2017.

“But before we can let our enthusiasm drive us, we’ll have to sit down with the players and planners and map out the logistics,” Greendeer said. “We’ve also discussed smaller, perhaps singular camps to go with the timing of when the sap is running, or the corn is ready. As well, maybe hosting extended camps for some of the arts you can’t simply teach in a day or two.”

Greendeer is humbled by the compliments given to him because of the effort given to Winter Camp 2017. But he equally feels appreciative to the many people who made it possible.

“Thank you all for coming. Thank you Ho-Chunk Nation and mostly, the Ho-Chunk community for making this a reality,” he said.



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Edgewood College Gallery unveils new Native American art exhibits

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Staff Writer

Visitors to Edgewood College Gallery have been treated to three new art exhibits that highlight the history of Native Americans in the United States. The exhibits were unveiled in an opening reception held on Jan. 26, where art enthusiasts could meet the curator as well as the artists themselves.

“*Re-riding History: From the Southern Plains to the Matanzas Bay, The Art of Ho-Chunk Basket Making and John Hitchcock: Protectors* are all exhibits happening simultaneously within the same building,” said Gallery Director David Wells. “Each of the exhibits has been created by Native American people. They’re very different in



Gallery Director David Wells

terms of context and content. But they’re all about Native American experience and Native American culture.”

The main exhibit, *Re-Riding History: From the Southern Plains to the Matanzas Bay* has traveled the country for the last two years and been considered a contemporary portrayal of historical events.

“I contracted to bring that exhibition in because it brings American history home in a big way,” Wells said, “and speaks to that history from a contemporary perspective.”

The exhibit was curated by three college professors trying to retrace the experience of 72 Native Americans that were forcibly removed from their home and imprisoned at Fort Marion in St. Augustine, Florida.

“This exhibition really talks about Native American history,” Wells said, “and assimilation as a phenomena and as a political policy.”

To represent the number of Native Americans who were imprisoned there, the three curators recruited 72 artists to collaborate on the project. The result ended up being an accurate depiction of our country’s institutional discrimination against a minority group.

“It’s a topic that affects many cultures,” Wells said. “So as (far) as bringing that exhibition here, it’s important.”

UW-professor John Hitchcock was a curator of *Re-riding History*. But he’s been getting much more attention for one of the other exhibits at the gallery.

“John Hitchcock’s installation of *Protectors* is very much an intellectual idea,” Wells said. “It’s fun. It’s powerful, visually. And it’s speaking about the power (symbolized by bison).”

The exhibition covers an entire atrium wall and contains screen-print images of bison skulls carefully mounted on printed Naugahyde pelts. According to the gallery director, the piece is a metaphor for man’s relationship with nature and the frailty of life.

“This speaks to a spiritual background in a different way than the other two (exhibits),” Wells said. “He’s using contemporary materials, referencing the idea of ‘protector’ and the sense of protectors of the culture – and how we all have to participate in being protectors of culture, protectors of our own heritage, protectors of our environment.”

The third exhibit, *The Art of Ho-Chunk Basket Making* celebrates the tribe’s long tradition of making intricate baskets from black ash.

“The local culture of the Ho-Chunk basket-making,” Wells said, “is both historical and contemporary.”

The exhibition features 96 baskets collected by Mike



The Art of Ho-Chunk Basket Making



Pieces in the exhibit, Re-riding History: From the Southern Plains to the Matanzas Bay

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Find the Hoocak Vocabulary Words

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Maq - Arrow

Ii Hokiwaq - Kiss

Sguu - Sweet

Suuc - Red

Waža Wooga - Gift

Xaąwį Hoxere - Flower

Biik Rusgic - Card

Waisgapsgu - Cake Or Cookie

Hamakirac - Date

Caasakšokawa - Pink

Nąat'up - Hug

Taanižu Kirikiriš - Candy

Iiruzųzų - Smile

Wookixete - Love One Another

Zeenįba Rusgic - Ribbon Bow

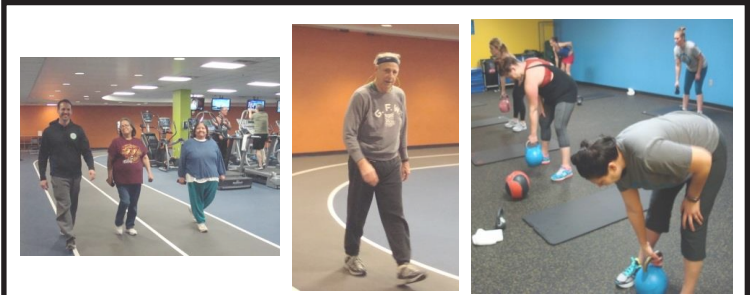
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Schmudlach and tribal member Tom Jones, all of which were woven by members of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

“It’s both historical baskets and contemporary baskets,” Wells said. “illuminating that basket-making tradition.”

The baskets will remain on display until Feb. 26, along with the rest of the exhibits at Edgewood College Gallery. Anyone interested in learning about the history of our nation’s native inhabitants is encouraged to stop by.



February is American Heart Awareness Month

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women. To prevent heart disease and increase awareness of its effects, Ho-Chunk Medical Clinics are proudly participating in American Heart Month. Locally 1 out of 4 deaths are related to heart disease. American Indians and Alaska Natives die from heart diseases at younger ages than other racial and ethnic groups in the United States. Thirty-six percent of those who die of heart disease die before age 65.

You can make healthy changes to lower your risk of developing heart disease. Controlling and preventing risk factors is also important for people who already have heart disease. To lower your risk:

- Watch your weight.
- Quit smoking and stay away from secondhand smoke.
- Control your cholesterol and blood pressure.
- If you drink alcohol, drink only in moderation.
- Get active and eat healthy.

For more information, visit health.ho-chunk.com or talk to your Health Educator (see below) or other healthcare provider about your risk. Holly Rodenberg, RN, BSN, Ho-Chunk Health Care Center Cari Ritter, PA-C, House of Wellness

AmeriCorps volunteers to help Organic Gardening project

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

A new concerted effort is underway to help the Ho-Chunk tribe come closer to food sovereignty. Melanie Stacy, Grants Assistant with Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HHCDA), is spearheading the effort that will provide more organic vegetables and other wholesome food to Ho-Chunk families.

To make that possible, an assessment of Ho-Chunk members and communities will be done to find out the existing situation, and what needs to be done.

Heath Littlejohn has been hired as Garden/Food Assessment Coordinator through a Food Sovereignty Assessment grant provided by the First Nations Development Institute. First Nations, based in Colorado, is an organization to strengthen American Indian economies to support healthy Native communities throughout the United States.

Involvement from the Ho-Chunk Nation Departments are already underway.

Also joining the crew are Jessika Greendeer and Jim Price, both AmeriCorps/Vista volunteers who will be helping the development of organic village gardens.

This is the fourth year of reaching out to Ho-Chunk communities to establish organic gardens, but one thing Melanie needed was staff to help in the longevity and reach of the program. But this year, that staffing gap has been filled.

“There are a lot of ideas from community members,” Stacy said. “We can assess the communities and families and determine where the projects need more attention and where to go from here.” “I am so thankful that Jessika and Jim will be helping and I am sure that each community will be extremely pleased with their knowledge.”

“It’s important to have an

understanding of the food system,” Littlejohn said. “We need a change for the better. We have bodies that are thousands of years old, but we’re eating 100-year-old food. That causes medical problems, such as diabetes.”

The project also is an educational tool, informing the community members about their diets and what they put into their bodies, he said.

“It’s a real eye-opener,” Littlejohn said. “We will let them know what is in their food. Food sovereignty has different meanings for different areas and different tribes.”

As a child, his father made sure he got back to his roots and maintained a Ho-Chunk vocabulary. He used to come back to Blue Wing for three months during the summer and two months in winter. He used to hunt with his uncles. He got more information about cultural ways when he was here.

Members of the Organic Gardening group will be meeting with community members at the following times, dates and locations:

Indian Mission Community Center, Feb. 13. at 5:30 p.m.

Blue Wing Community Center, Feb. 15 at 5:30 p.m.

Indian Heights Community Center, Feb. 16 at 5:30 p.m.

“I would take in as much as I could,” he said.

When he was 18, he moved back to the area where he grew up. His goal is to strengthen the tribe and follow the traditional lifestyle. He wants to do his part in preserving the ways of the past.

“That is what this is going to be about. It will take us back to the way we should be: shucking corn and pounding ash for baskets. The memories come flooding back to me,” he said. “I see great potential for this program.”

Jim Price, one of the two AmeriCorps volunteers, said that he has tremendous respect for the Ho-Chunk Nation.



Members of the organic gardening team are (from left) Jessika Greendeer, Heath Littlejohn, Melanie Stacy, and Jim Price.

“The important thing in planning is to keep it connected with Ho-Chunk cultural values,” he said. “We need to keep elders, veterans and leaders included in the vision.”

AmeriCorps is a federal program that pays a volunteer a small stipend to be able to just meet living expenses. When the one-year term is finished, a volunteer can renew the commitment, take a check for \$2,000 1,500 or receive credit for college tuition.

Price grew up in Iowa, having an early childhood living on a farm. They had a large garden and they used organic practices.

He became a journalist in 1991, when he started working a reporter for the Milwaukee Journal. He left the newspaper career in 2007 and began working at Growing Power, an urban farm in Milwaukee which promotes community gardens, composting and organic gardening. He learned how to pull a community together in the inner city of Milwaukee. That effort continued until 2010, when he shifted gears again and returned to journalism on a semi-retired basis.

That changed again when his wife was looking at postings for AmeriCorps volunteers and saw that a horticulturist was needed by the Ho-Chunk Nation.

“She was looking for an opportunity for our son, but I

decided to apply. He wasn’t interested,” Price said.

While his wife and son live in Milwaukee, he drives to Tomah for work on Monday and returns after work Friday. He hopes to find some place to stay in the area.

Jessika Greendeer is from Baraboo, the daughter of Conroy Greendeer Sr., an elder who saw the need of organic gardening in communities. He died in 2014. His advice and example were the impetus to her to become more interested in horticulture.

Greendeer spent a 10-year stint in the U.S. Army, also taking up the journalist trade.

“I wanted to be more self-reliant,” she said. She was purchasing organic food at the time and wanted to learn more about food systems.

Greendeer became involved in the Veteran Farmer Training Program in Pennsylvania and has been organic farming since that time with her sister, Kristen.

Now, after a year of mourning after the death of her father, she has decided to venture out into organic gardening again, this time as an AmeriCorps volunteer.

“It’s most exciting. There is not an absolute rule. It’s a combination of art and science at the same time. I’m excited now, but I’m sure I will be exhausted in August,” Greendeer said.

“If we can get 10 people in the Nation to change the way

they eat and live, it will be a success,” she said. “Someday we will be eating Indian corn.”

Littlejohn said that village gardens used to be huge – three arrows long, which means the distance of shooting three arrows from a bow. “Everyone helped. Everyone harvested and shared, keeping food available for all Ho-Chunk people. We need to take it back to the way it used to be. Elders couldn’t do the work, so they shared their knowledge with the younger people, who took care of the gardens,” Littlejohn said.

Stacy said she really had to push to get funding for this latest phase of the Organic Gardening project.

“I believe in the Ho-Chunk people,” she said. “The day we put in beds and filled them with soil is the day I saw results. People who were questioning the project suddenly became involved and dropped any position. It was a community out there.”

They plan to be available at various events and functions to gather the data they need for the project. They will attend community events and solicit answers from tribal members attending General Council.

Their goal is to educate tribal members.

“If they don’t understand, you don’t get involvement,” Stacy said.

Koenig and the Badgers halt the Hoosiers

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

Bronson Koenig and the Wisconsin Badgers halted the Indiana Hoosiers, 65 to 60, at the Kohl Center in Madison on Feb. 5, 2017. The Badgers have won 7 straight games and 19 consecutive home games.

For Koenig, he reached 135 games as a Wisconsin Badger, only six other Badgers played in more games than him in school history.

Indiana came to Madison missing two of their major point contributors due to injuries: Junior Guard James Blackmon Jr. and Sophomore Forward OG Anunoby.

The Badgers and Hoosiers did not score until two minutes into the game, when Ethan Happ, the Badgers’ Sophomore Center who is a Player of the Year candidate

and was recently named as a finalist for the Kareem Abdul-Jabbar award, scored with a layup.

Wisconsin never looked back from that point on, growing their lead to as much as 12 points in the first half and never fell behind in the game.

The game was tied at 24-24 for a three minute stretch during first half.

Happ lead all scorers with 10 first half points. Hayes added 7 points and Koenig added 5 in the first half.

Koenig drove the lane for a layup and nailed a 3-pointer with under two minutes in the half for his 5 first half points. Bronson also pulled down 5 rebounds in the first half of play.

Koenig shot 50 percent from the field and 3-point range during the first half.



Senior Guard Bronson Koenig setting up the offense during the Badger’s game against the Indiana Hoosiers.

Indiana’s Sophomore Center Thomas Bryant led the Hoosiers with 9 points in the half.

Happ scored consistently,

adding 10 points in the second half of play, and recording his fourth 20 point game of the season.

Badger fans got a good look at Redshirt Freshman Guard Brevin Pritzl during the second half. Pritzl scored 6 points in twelve minutes of play.

Pritzl drove the lane for a baseline layup and went 4 of 4 from the free throw line. Pritzl also committed two fouls.

Koenig added 6 more points in the second half. He hit another big 3-point shot, and went to the free throw line twice late in the game. Koenig went 3 of 4 from the free throw line.

Indiana’s Junior Guard josh Newkirk was the game high scorer with 22 points. Newkirk was 3 for 3 from 3-point range and 4 for 4 from the free throw line in the sec-

ond half of play.

Nigel Hayes finished with 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Wisconsin Badgers. This was Hayes’ third double-double of the season.

Koenig finished with 11 points and 7 rebounds. With his 11 points, Bronson moved into the top 20 of UW’s all-time scorer list, with 1,259 career points.

Prior to the Sunday game against Indiana, Koenig had limited participation in the team’s Friday practice due to a sore left leg muscle.

The Wisconsin Badgers moved up the AP Rankings after the Indiana win from No. 10 to No. 7.

Up next for the Badgers, they go on the road to play the Nebraska Cornhuskers, and return home to play Northwestern Wildcats.

February 2017

Please find the following summary of General Council 2016 and follow up on General Council Resolutions. If you have specific questions please call the General Council Office 715-284-7891.

Annual General Council 2016

All Legislative Resolutions can be read in their entirety on the Ho-Chunk Nation Website.

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZATION TO PLACE PROPOSED OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENT & ORGANIZATION ACT OUT FOR FORTY-FIVE DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT, RESOLUTION 11-07-16P

- The 45-day comment period ended on December 29th, 2016.

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE APPROVAL OF OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENT & ORGANIZATION ACT, RESOLUTION 01-19-17P

This Act establishes the Office of the General Council by law in observance and furtherance of General Council Resolution 9-17-2016-01.

I have attached a copy of the Act 1 HCC § 18. The following are items that we in the office are currently working on to fulfill our obligation for a smooth transition.

- Providing copies of all General Council Meeting Minutes and Resolutions to the Ho-Chunk Nation Records Division.
- Drafting procedures to allow tribal members the ability to request information related to the General Council.
- Drafting a quarterly report for the Legislature and tribal membership regarding activity and planning of the office and General Council 2017. We are waiting for President Cleveland to call for the 2017 Annual General Council so that planning may begin.
- The Office of General Council Ho-Chunk Nation website still needs to be addressed. The current staff will require training to accomplish this task.

Items that still need to be addressed by the Legislature and the Office of the President so that the Office of General Council will be able to move forward with planning for the General Council 2017.

- Updating of the current OGC Job Descriptions for all approved positions. Current language still reflects the GCA in all job descriptions for this office. Until such time as this is addressed, the following cannot be accomplished;
- 1. There is one legislatively approved position that is currently not filled within the Office.
- 2. There is no access to the Budget Programs within the Nation at this time for any of the OGC Staff.
- 3. There is no access to the Nation’s Budget Modification Program for any of the OGC Staff.
- 4. The OGC is still without the vehicles that were purchased through the Legislative approved OGC Budget.

Elite Elder Housing and Alternative Energy Update:

Resolution 10-18-16H, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9-17-2016-06 and Legislative Action Regarding the Amendment to the Nation’s Housing Program to Provide Housing for Elite Elders, and;

Resolution 10-18-2016I, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 09-17-2016-07, and Legislative Action Regarding the Creation of a Program to Provide Alternative Energy Sources to Ho-Chunk Elders;

These both remain as “Unfinished Business” on the Legislative Agenda. The December 6th, 2016 to present, HCN legislative Meetings, this agenda item has been tabled each time for the following reason;

“As need key data and various demographics from the census.”

Recently, Legislator Henning Garvin, District II, posted the following regarding the Ho-Chunk Nation Census;

“Tribal Census results are in and the reports are being finalized and bound. Thank you to everyone who participated. With over 50% responding, the results have enough statistical validity to draw some very useful conclusions.

It isn’t a big surprise, but the top four priorities identified were (in order): 1) Housing 2) Health 3) Economic Development 4) Language and Cultural Preservation

It is now on those of us who work in the government to take these results, as well as the rest of the information gathered, and turn it into meaningful policy and programs. I look forward to receiving the President’s budget proposal this year which I hope will reflect these priorities.”

Now that the Census is completed any and all progress towards actualizing the wishes of the General Council will be posted in future reports to the Areas.

General Council Resolution Update:

I have asked Legislative Attorney, Michael Murphy for an update to the 2000-2012 General Council Resolutions. I have reported on several occasions that there was to be a Special Legislative Meeting to address the findings. This has still not happened. These items remain a standing agenda item for Legislative Meetings. Also, with a big election coming and with the rumor mill saying many individuals have put their names in the hat , I look forward to hearing the candidates’ concrete policy ideas and proposals on how to address these priorities identified by the people. Thanks again for participating in the census. It will prove vitally important in moving our government forward in a positive way.

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In closing, I would like to say that as we move forward in the new year, our greatest hope is that all the Branches of the Ho-Chunk Nation will work together to put the wishes of “The People” in the forefront of the minds. That the conclusions that are drawn from the Census and the areas that are defined as being of utmost importance are not ignored, but acted upon. This can also be said of all the General Council Resolutions that still wait for Legislative action.

Respectfully submitted and prepared by,
Joy Thompson-Bonanno, OGC Advocate

HO-CHUNK NATION CODE (HCC)
TITLE 1 – ESTABLISHMENT ACTS
SECTION 18 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL
ESTABLISHMENT
AND ORGANIZATION ACT
ENACTED BY LEGISLATURE: [DATE]
CITE AS: 1 HCC § 18
This Act establishes the Office of the General Council by law in observance and furtherance of General Council Resolution 9-17-2016-01
1. **Authority.**
a. Article V, Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation (“Constitution”) grants the Legislature the power to make laws, including codes, acts, resolutions, and statutes.
b. Article V, Section 2(d) of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation (“Nation”) empowers the Legislature to authorize expenditures by law.
c. Article V, Section 2(f) allows the Legislature to set the salaries, terms and conditions of employment for all governmental personnel.
d. Article V, Section 2(x) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact any other laws, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes necessary to exercise its legislative powers delegated by the General Council pursuant to Article III including but not limited to the foregoing list of powers.
e. Article IV, Section 3(g) indicates that the General Council Agency was delegated authority to select, hire, manage and supervise General Council Branch personnel to accomplish the tasks mandated by the General Council; *however*, the General Council Agency was dissolved by the General Council on September 17, 2016 by General Council Resolution 9-17-2016-01.
f. Article IV, Section 3(a) of the Constitution requires the Legislature to take action on resolutions adopted by the General Council, including the adoption of laws, codes, ordinances, resolutions and statutes.
2. **History.** This Act recognizes the Office of General Council as an Independent Agency created to serve the General Council of the Ho-Chunk Nation.
3. **Purpose.** This Code establishes the Office of General Council under Ho-Chunk law and provides organization for the Office, while addressing necessary authorities and reporting structure.
4. **Mission and Functions.** The Office of General Council shall provide such support and advocacy as are required by the job descriptions for the Office, duly approved by the Legislature of the Nation, and as may be further required by the General Council of the Nation.
5. **Internal Organization and Authority.**
a. Consistent with General Council Resolution 9-17-2016-01, the Office of General Council shall consist of the following positions:
i. General Council Advocate;
ii. General Council Deputy Advocate; and
iii. General Council Secretary.
b. The General Council Advocate will oversee the Office of General Council and will supervise the other positions, as described in any legislatively approved job descriptions. Further, the General Council Advocate will have the author-

- ity to hire additional staff pursuant to the Nation’s Employment Relations Act (including limited term employees); provided, however, that such hiring shall be consistent with the approved budget of the Office of General Council and any contract authority that is either reserved to the Legislature or delegated to the Office of General Council.
- c. The General Council Advocate will have signature authority similar to that of an Executive Director of a Department of the Nation, including such authority for budget and Treasury matters, payroll and personnel matters, and administrative office functions, consistent with the approved job description for the position and the budget of the Office of General Council.
- d. The General Council Advocate will have the right to prepare and present the annual budget to the Legislature in accordance with the Appropriations and Budget Process Act (“Budget Act”) of the Ho-Chunk Nation including the right of the Advocate to request budget modifications from the Legislature, consistent with the Budget Act.
- e. The Office of General Council may adopt such internal operating procedures as deemed necessary, consistent with this Act, all laws of the Nation, and any legislatively approved job descriptions and budget; provided, however, that such internal procedures must be approved by the General Council Advocate and are subject to further action of the General Council.
- f. The Office of General Council shall maintain adequate and complete records of its activity, including, but not limited to, meeting minutes, reports by the Office, planning documentation for General Council meetings, General Council meeting minutes and resolutions, and vouchers and checks. The Office of General Council shall provide copies of all General Council meeting minutes and resolutions to the Ho-Chunk Nation Records Division. The Office of General Council shall adopt procedures to allow tribal members to request information related to the General Council.
- g. The Office of General Council will coordinate with tribal membership at least three (3) months prior to the Nation’s Annual General Council meeting regarding all meeting specifications, including, but not limited to, venue and RFPs. One Tribal member per District of the Nation will represent and assist in the coordination of such Annual General Council meetings.
5. **Reporting.**
a. The Office of General Council shall report to the Legislature and/or any delegated Legislative Committee, on a quarterly basis as to its activities and planning.
b. The Office of the President may administratively oversee time and attendance approval relative to the General Council Advocate.
c. The Office of General Council shall provide a report to the General Council at its Annual Meeting (or such other meetings as directed by the General Council) as to its activities and annual budget.

Legislative History:
11.07.16 Legislature places proposed Establishment Act out for forty-five (45) day public review and comment.
01.19.17 Legislature adopts Resolution 01.19.17P the Office of General council Establishment & Organization Act, after discussion in Open Session of the Draft out placed out for public review and comments submitted.



RE-ELECT TRICIA ZUNKER FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

Fair; Neutral; Experienced; Compassionate; Committed

As Justice, I will remain committed to apply the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution and the written laws of legislature, while recognizing and upholding the inherent customs and traditions of our People. I am insistent on protecting due process rights of each member, especially when those who own these rights are often without legal representation, or they are children or elders. I have served with fairness, diligence, courtesy and compassion since elected to this position in September 2013. Serving my People in this capacity has been my greatest professional honor. I will be deeply honored to serve the Nation in a second term as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and humbly request your vote on March 7, 2017.

Who I Am

I am an enrolled member of Ho-Chunk Nation and I am from Wausau, Wisconsin. I am Bear Clan. My Ho-Chunk name is Hinųk pii. My father is Timothy Radtke and Grandmother is Exilda Mary Rockman Stone. My Great-Grandparents are Grover Rockman and Bessie White Eagle Rockman. After earning a law degree at UCLA, I worked in Los Angeles as an attorney and law professor for many years. But I have since returned home to Wisconsin after my election to Associate Justice.

EDUCATION

- J.D. (law degree), UCLA School of Law
- B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, triple major in: 1) Political Science; 2) International Relations; and 3) French. Also earned a Certificate in European Studies.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Ho-Chunk Nation
- State Bar of California
- Ho-Chunk Nation Bar Association
- National Native American Bar Association (NNALSA)
- National American Indian Court Judges Association (NAICJA)
- Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association (WTJA)

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Associate Justice, Ho-Chunk Nation (Sept. 2013- Present)
- Attorney, Zunker Law Group; Law Firm Experience in Los Angeles
- Professor (Legal Writing; Constitutional Law), California School of Law (2007-present)
- Dean of Faculty, California School of Law (2013 -present)
- Professor (Criminal Law courses; Business Law and Ethics), Colorado State University-Global Campus (2011- present)
- Professor (Legal Writing), University of Maryland (2012 -present)
- Published Academic, Northwestern Interdisciplinary Law Review

The Role of a Justice (the Appellate Judge)

The justice must also be a neutral decision-maker and able to address the issue in front of her without prejudice. The appellate judge/justice must determine what errors of law occurred, if any, at the trial court level. Not all errors require reversal of a lower court opinion, however, and thus an appellate judge must understand the legal standard required to reverse and remand an opinion. The decisions of the appellate judge are extremely important. They are handed down in written opinions and cited in later cases and by trial court judges as the controlling law. Being able to write a clear and well-written opinion that accurately states the law, custom or tradition is a necessary quality.

What’s the Difference Between Supreme Court and Trial Court?

Cases first must be filed and heard in the Trial Court (or before an administrative body first, if it is an administrative matter). Only after the case is exhausted at the lower tier of court (or in some cases, administrative body) can it be heard by the Supreme Court (with the exception of an interlocutory appeal) and the litigant must be sure to follow the rules and process for an appeal.

Vote Zunker on March, 7, 2017 for Associate Justice

It is vital to me that everyone is treated with dignity and respect which includes timely issuance of opinions. My work ethic allows me to fully consider issues in front of me and reflect thoroughly while also ensuring that matters are resolved in a timely manner. The court system is designed to answer the legal issues in front of it, not add additional stress to tribal members with undue delay in issuing opinions. In cases assigned to me, I have not issued a late order or decision. My pledge to you is my continued faithful and impartial performance of my duties as Associate Justice. I’m hardworking, ethical, and committed to preserving the Nation’s customs and traditions while analyzing the law as a neutral decision-maker. I am experienced. I’m ready, willing and able to continue to serve our Nation and humbly requesting your vote. I also want to extend my deepest gratitude to those with whom I have worked in my capacity as Associate Justice, past and present, including: fellow Justices, Supreme Court Clerk, trial court judges, staff attorneys, Trial Court clerks, court administrator, and other court staff- thank you. I have enjoyed working with you all immensely and deeply appreciate the different roles filled by all.

Please vote on Tuesday, March 7, 2017

What an honor and a privilege to vote for our Nation’s elected officials. As the People of the Big Voice, I encourage you to make your voice heard on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 or by requesting an absentee ballot. Your vote counts! I appreciate your consideration.

Pinagigi.

Vote March 7th for

Greg Littlejohn

District 5 Legislator, Seat 3

I humbly request your support for my candidacy. I am a member of the Bear Clan. My Choka was Grant Littlejohn and my Gaga was Rachael (nee Whitedeer) Littlejohn. My Jaji was Edward G. Littlejohn, Sr. He was one of the first Business Committee members of the Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee. Let us reflect on their past accomplishments, appreciate all of their sacrifices and achievements that produced our current constitution and organizational structure.

I was a Personnel Coordinator for 7 years with the City of Minneapolis – Civil Service Commission, I have been a licensed insurance agent (all lines) for over 37 years and I have proudly served as a Ho-Chunk Nation – District 5 Legislator for 12 years.

Elect me to the Legislature so that I may actively pursue the following goals and objectives:

- Review the Ho-Chunk Nation’s health benefits program and make cost effective revisions as needed;
- Maximize the profitability of our Enterprises in order to sustain your percap;
- Expand our Gaming Enterprises to their full potential;
- Practice fiscal responsibility within our Government;
- Enhance our diabetes prevention programs for our Tribal Members;
- Expand youth/elder/veterans/language program offerings;
- Encourage our branches of Government to continue to work together cooperatively toward a better future for all Tribal Members.

I ask for your vote on March 7th so that I can, once again, serve our collective good

Pinagigi,
Greg Littlejohn
Legislative Candidate, District 5, Seat #3



KARENA THUNDERCLOUD

“Hinuk hižą hųk”

FOR DISTRICT 1

Greetings Friends and Relatives. My name is Karena Thundercloud and I am asking for your support as District One Legislator. I am the Great Granddaughter of John Davis, the Granddaughter of Lavina Thorud and the Daughter of the late Elethe Nichols. I am committed to working as a Legislator to the best of my ability and upholding the Constitution. I have worked for the Ho-Chunk Nation in many capacities over the past 25 years. I have experience in both the gaming and non-gaming programs.

Education

- I’m a 1979 graduate of the Black River Falls High School.
- Associate of Applied Science Degree – Wisconsin Western Technical College
- Bachelor of Applied Studies – University Wisconsin Oshkosh

Experience

- I am currently serving as the Executive Director of Administration for President Cleveland. Some of the current projects I’m charged with include, completion of remodeling of the Tribal Office Building, completion of new facilities, and oversight of the new Realty Division.
- I currently sit on the HHCD Board of Directors.
- I worked for fifteen years in the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health. I implemented an Indian Health Service grant to develop the diabetes program.
- I’ve had experience in the Nation’s gaming operations as both a Revenue Audit Manager and Chief Financial Officer.

All of the career choices that I have made included providing services to the Nation and being an active participant in the Tribal Government. It is these experiences and the knowledge gained that I will draw from to be the best Legislator that I can.

I humbly request your vote on March 7th.

PLEASE RE-ELECT

KATHYLEEN V. LONE TREE-WHITERABBIT

“Haap Hija”

DISTRICT 5 LEGISLATOR SEAT 1

I HUMBLY ASK FOR YOUR VOTE
IN THE HCN PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH

Last day to request Absentee Ballots
Monday, February 27th

ABOUT ME:

BEAR CLAN

PARENTS: SAMUEL LONE TREE & ANN LITTLEJOHN LONE TREE

HO-CHUNK VALUES THAT GUIDE ME:

WO GI XETE & NACGE WOKICI

IT IS WITH MY HEART THAT I SERVE OUR PEOPLE

PROVEN LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

COMPLETING 4TH FOUR-YEAR TERM AS YOUR REP.& TRIBAL SECRETARY

ACCESSIBLE & RESPONSIVE TO TRIBAL MEMBER CONCERNS

RESPONSIBLE FOR SIGNING ALL OFFICIAL TRIBAL DOCUMENTS

EDUCATION ADVOCATE

SUSTAIN PER CAPITA, HOUSING, HEALTH & WELL-BEING

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Elect
Carly
Lincoln
District 2 Seat 3

I believe in:
Sincerity; Focusing on the many; Transparency; Mentorship; Relevant Experience; Being driven and Aiming high.

I am:
Bear Clan and an enrolled member of our Ho-Chunk Nation. I am the daughter of the late Gilman Lincoln Jr. of Baraboo and my Cooka and Gaaga were Gilman and Virginia (Goodbear) Lincoln of Tomah. I am a self-employed business owner/Partner of Winchester Consulting formerly known as Winchester Crime and Trauma Recovery. I am an Independent Contractor for SPi-Global in the Rights and Permissions department, as well as the sole proprietor of Wonk-Chic LLC; a business I founded to leverage myself as a Model, Actress, Public Speaker and Spokesperson to expand my exposure in the State of Wisconsin.

- Education:**
- Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice with an emphasis on Criminalistics. GPA at graduation-3.46 and I appeared on the Dean’s List for 5 semesters
 - Multiple OSHA certifications (Bloodborne Pathogens, Personal Protective Equipment, Respiratory Protection, Hazardous Communications, Infectious Waste Management)

- Volunteer Experience:**
- Hurricane Katrina – Victim relief efforts in Atlanta, GA with:
 - o Red Cross
 - o Salvation Army
 - Dane County Human Society

- Work Experience:**
- Winchester Consulting-Partner (2009-Current)
 - SPi-Global- Licensing & Permissions (Feb. 2016-Current)
 - Wonk-Chic LLC-Model, Public Figure, Public Speaking (2015-Current)
 - Adecco Staffing-Staffing Consultant (2007-2009)
 - Johnson Industries-Human Resources Administrator (2006-2007)
 - Amcore Bank (now BMO Harris) Licensed Personal Banker (2001-2005)
 - o NASD Series 6 & 63
 - o Wisconsin Insurance License

How my experience applies to the role of a Legislator:
Winchester Consulting is a business that remediates scenes affected by homicide, unattended deaths, tear gas exposure and meth labs. Recently, my company has expanded to consult on matters of competitor billing practices to assure that billing meets Wisconsin Legislation. We mostly service homeowners and property management companies; however, our services have been retained by Insurance companies and Law Firms to serve as their expert witnesses. In this industry, I have trained and educated Insurance adjusters as well as the Madison Police department. I have been featured in Women in Science, as well as, given “on-air” interviews conducted by Judy and Joan and been featured in articles in the Hocak Worak, Glamour Magazine, and the Wisconsin State Journal. My role at SPi-Global has expanded my experience to cover legal expertise with rights and permissions as it pertains to images used within Textbooks for grades K-12 and Higher Education. Within Wonk-Chic LLC, I am a model and public figure which enables me to be an unofficial ambassador of the Ho-Chunk Nation. As an unofficial ambassador of the Nation and the overall Native American population, I have been able to create dialogue and exposure for our people within public agencies, professional film, and production crews, as well as the different business industries that have hired me to represent their message and products.

Why I am pursuing seat 3:
I am proud of the path that led me to be a self-employed professional and I believe it is my duty and purpose to use my experience to help our Nation continue forward. While I will secure one seat, I will still rely on the ONE voice-the voice of the Nation. After the voting is done I ask that everyone talk to me, work with me, and even question me; that is how we continue to move forward AND establish accountability. I see how far we have come and I SINCERELY know we are destined to go further.

It would be my honor to serve you and I humbly request your vote.

Thank you,
Carly Lincoln~ Nqqrųžokįįga



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VOTE FOR

CARI FAY

District 1 Legislator

Seat 3

- *Youth Education
- *Safety & Well Being
- *Sovereignty
- *Renewable Energy
- *Government Transparency

carifay.com

Reminder To Vote: March 7th 2017

In order to succeed we need cooperation, not competition with each other. We need to remember where we came from and the traditions that work toward the betterment of our people. We are all connected and stronger when we work together. Reminds me of the line from The Jungle Book...

**"For the strength of the pack is the wolf,
and the strength of the wolf is the pack."**

Contact Me: cafay18@gmail.com



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FRIDAYS | 5AM - 9PM
HOURLY ELECTRONIC DRAWINGS
EARN ENTRIES ALL MONTH
SLOTS & TABLE PLAYERS ELIGIBLE

MAIN DRAWING | FEB 24 | 10 PM
(1) GRAND PRIZE WINNER - \$10,000 CASH
(5) WINNERS - \$5,000 CASH
(5) WINNERS - \$500 CASH

BONUS DRAWING | FEB 24 | 11PM
(5) WINNERS - \$500 CASH

FEBRUARY MAIN PROMOTION

**DARRYL WORLEY
& COLLIN RAYE**
MARCH 18 | 7PM

ADVANCED TICKETS
General Admission: \$35 | Premium Seats: \$40

DOOR TICKETS
General Admission: \$40 | Premium Seats: \$45



MARCH ENTERTAINMENT



APRIL ENTERTAINMENT

THE CLAIRVOYANTS
AS SEEN ON AMERICA'S GOT TALENT

APRIL 22 | 8PM

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\$15 REWARDS PLAY FOR EACH TICKET PURCHASED. AGES 21+. VISIT [TICKETMASTER.COM](https://www.ticketmaster.com)
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New Years resolutions

Hocak Worak Facebook friends were given the chance to share their New Years resolutions with readers. Here is a listing of responses on the Facebook page:

- Brenda Bruce Bell:** STOP SMOKING.
- Stella Decorah:** Be better than I was last year.
- Shamus Layman:** Eat healthier and cut sugar intake by 80%!
- Tena Quackenbush:** Encourage Inspire and in Empower people: to be/get excited about their lives!!! Help others out of the chains of addiction. Successfully complete my educational goals. Win the canoe race at the 2017 Employee Picnic. Eat healthier and stay focused on my weight goals.
- Shamus Layman:** These are great goals!
- Nana Funn:** Mine is quite the list (still growing).. the scribbles were from my niece. She had some as well.
- Sam Whitewater:** I'd like to get back in shape and start writing again as well.
- Myshell Rave:** To stop drinking soda pop. It is everywhere I go and very difficult to find alternate beverages that are not sugared up or aspartamed.
- Vincent Palasz:** Quit smoking!
- KuNu DeCora Benally:** Stop Bingo..!!!
- Wanda Owen-Reese:** Jelly Roll Reduction!
- Shamus Layman:** Good luck all of you! You got this!!
- Ryan J. Howell:** Appreciate the little things more.
- Curtis West:** Get back in shape, exercise, and take better care of myself
- Ashley Marie Littlegeorge:** To take more pictures and start scrap booking for my daughter Rose. Something to gift her with later in life.
- Janet Donelson:** It's Great at the coming of a New Year to start up Resolutions...but Next year we'll still be the same, just Another Year older! LOLz But Good Luck to Better yourselves Always! ;-)
- Erik Gazic:** Learn how to make frybread.
- Annita RedCloud:** I started last year and want to do better this year at writing REAL LETTERS to friends. I want to share the joy of finding something besides bills in their mailbox.
- Michael Lee Henschell:** To stop sweating the little things in life and realizing that if I want something I need to go and get it.
- Kelly Prescott Bethke:** After 30+ years of smoking I finally decided to quit. It's been a rough 5 days and I can't wait to hit the 1 month mark!
- Selena Seibert:** To keep my job.
- Sincerely, Food and Beverage employees
Ho-Chunk Wisconsin Dells
- Monica Cloud:** Win all the monies at Bingo!

Heritage Preservation Board of Directors Vacancy Announcement

The Department of Heritage Preservation, which houses the Divisions of Cultural Resources, Enrollment, Language, Natural Resources, and Veterans Affairs, seeks nominations to fill five (5) vacancies on its Board of Directors. The Board serves in an advisory capacity on matters referred by the Executive Director. Board Members shall have the requisite skills, knowledge, and education to provide professional and expert advice and recommendations to the Executive Director.

The Board shall be comprised of five (5) Ho-Chunk Nation members selected by the Executive Director and approved by the President, pursuant to the Establishment Act for the Department of Heritage Preservation.

Directors serve two (2) year terms and may serve for more than one (1) term. The terms will alternate so that two (2) Directors are appointed or re-appointed after the first year and every two (2) years thereafter and three (3) Directors are appointed/re-appointed in the alternate years.

To be considered as a nominee, please send a letter of interest and a copy of your resume to Eliza Green, Department of Heritage Preservation. eliza.green@ho-chunk.com, or via USPS, P.O. 667, W9804 Airport Rd, Black River Falls, WI 54615.



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SAVE THE DATES

GLITC Native American Research Center for Health (NARCH) Program is involved with several events coming up in 2017. Please mark your calendars now and feel free to share the info with any of your friends, coworkers and/or students who may be interested as well. More detailed information can be found on www.glitc.org. Go to Programs → Education → Native American Research Center for Health → Student Options. You can also contact Natalia at ngraf@glitc.org or (715) 588-1018. Look for us at "Great Lakes NARCH" on Facebook.

Indigenous Health and Wellness Days

April 20-21, 2017

Held in Madison, WI
Geared to students in 6th- 12th grade from Wisconsin, Michigan, and Minnesota
Purpose: The event serves to both welcome and attract American Indian students into health sciences professions. American Indian students are invited to the UW-Madison and Madison College campuses to learn about science and health professions through hands-on activities, tours, and cultural activities. They will be introduced to American Indian professionals in the health sciences and can interact with UW-Madison American Indian students who have successfully navigated pre-college and college programs.
Cost: FREE

American Indian Science Scholars Week

July 23-August 2, 2017

Held in Milwaukee, WI
Geared to high school students (freshman year completed), have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and live in Wisconsin, Michigan, or Minnesota
Purpose: This is a 10-day on campus experience giving American Indian students an introduction to college life, which involves interactive scientific and cultural experiences. A wide array of science topics is explored; some past ones have included forensics/DNA evidence, field station work, management of water resources, microbiology, and hematology. Exploration takes place through tours, hand-on activities, and interactive visits at various Milwaukee area colleges and universities.
Cost: FREE

College Summer Internship

Summer 2017

Geared to Native American college students from Wisconsin, Michigan, and Minnesota entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year. The internship is a time of academic mentoring and summer research experiences during the undergraduate years. Students approved for this program will work with identified research mentors in **PAID** research internships at selected universities and colleges. Students will have the opportunity to work closely with mentors on research projects that are directly addressing health issues in American Indian communities.

Students must complete an application process. More details on the website www.glitc.org



Language and Culture Committee Vacancy Announcement

The Language and Culture Committee, whose role is to establish policy and make decisions regarding the Ho-Chunk language and culturally related issues as defined in the Ho-Chunk Nation Language and Culture Code, is seeking four Elders and three Elite Elder nominees for committee membership. Nominees will be appointed by the Administration Committee of the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature in accordance with the Ho-Chunk Nation Language and Culture Code.

Interested persons or those who wish to submit a name for consideration may contact Adrienne Thunder, Language Division Manager, at Adrienne.thunder@ho-chunk.com or via USPS at P.O. Box 667, W9804 Airport Rd., Black River Falls, WI 54165.

Notice of HHCA Monthly Meeting February 23rd, 2017

Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency
(HUD Housing)

HHCA Commissioners Lee Brown Jr., Karena Thundercloud, Colin Carrimon, Francis Decorah, Martin Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Cheri Byhre, Mike Goze, John Dall, and Judy Whitehorse. Will meet on Thursday, February 23, 2017, at 5:00 PM, at the HHCA Office in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue). Agenda items by noon on February 16, 2017 to the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.

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As my family settles into our new home, I would like to take a moment to express my deep gratitude for all of the support and well wishes we received after losing our home to a fire on Thanksgiving. A special thank you is in order for my co-worker and friend Hera Lonetree-Rindahl who began organizing the effort to help almost immediately. I would like to thank my Behavioral Health co-workers (and the DeCora family) for putting together the bake sale and soup fundraiser. I would also like to thank everyone who bought goodies, soup, fry bread, and/or raffle tickets. My co-workers in the Health Department also helped out with many donations of household goods, baby items, cash, gift cards, and even some meat raffle winnings. We received many donations from the community and even from people who didn't know me, but wanted to help. We were offered multiple places to live while we were figuring everything out. I was not at all surprised by the outpouring of generosity and kindness that was shown to my family in our time of need, but I was deeply moved. All of the prayers, well wishes and support helped my family and I get through what could have been a very difficult time. With heartfelt thanks,

Valerie Carrimon

Thanks

DISTRICT 1 CANDIDATES FORUM

TUESDAY FEB. 21, 2017
5:00 PM - 9:00 PM



Ho-Chunk Legislative District 1 members and families are invited to attend this District 1 Legislative Candidates Forum. A community meal will be provided at 5:00 pm in the cafeteria in the Executive Office building. The forum will follow at 6:00pm and feature both a moderated and an open community Q&A portion. Candidates will receive topics/questions prior to the event to promote fairness and provide equal opportunities for responses to topics/issues important to the District. Candidates are invited to provide information tables prior to and following the forum (please contact Tina Brown to request).

Please feel free to contact any member of the volunteer planning committee with any questions:

Marcus Lewis (Moderator)
Tina Brown, Adrienne Thunder,
Phyllis Smoke or Melanie Stacy.



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DISTRICT ONE
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Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Legislative Candidates Forum

LEAF

Little Eagle Arts Foundation



Call for Ho-Chunk Artists:

Are you an artist/craftsperson who creates visual art, such as beadwork, quillwork, metal jewelry, basketry, wood carved bowls and spoons, regalia, cultural items, applique, drawing, painting, mixed media, or sculpture? Would you like to improve your art skills and business opportunities? If so, Little Eagle Arts Foundation (LEAF) would like to encourage you to apply to become one of our LEAF Fellows.

In order to support and build our local creative community, the LEAF Fellows application deadline has been extended to February 28, 2017. Contact LEAF and request your application today: (608) 253-4142 or littleeaglearts@gmail.com.

Artists accepted into the LEAF Fellows program will receive the following:

- Mentoring by a professional Native artist.
- Financial support (up to \$750) for supplies, marketing tools, information/technology support, etc. to help your art and business needs.
- Financial support to cover your application fee, booth fee, lodging and mileage for participation in the annual 2017 Woodland Indian Art Market in Green Bay, WI.
- Training in the areas of professional photography of your art, curating an art show, creating a internet site to sell your work online, and teaching an art workshop related to your art form.

This program is made possible through a generous grant from the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin with additional support from the individual and corporate donors of Little Eagle Arts Foundation.

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Monroe County Personnel Department

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(608) 269-8719

Listed below are current vacancies that the Monroe County Personnel Department will accept applications for. If you know anyone who may be interested in any of these positions, please have them contact the Personnel Department to receive the appropriate materials to apply for the position. If no deadlines are listed, the position will remain open until filled.

Monroe County Vacancies Position: Economic Support Specialists Department: Human Services Full-Time Hiring Salary Range: \$14.00-\$15.00/hr. Deadline: Friday, Feb. 17, 2017 Position: Deputy Sheriff Department: Sheriff Department - Patrol Full-Time Starting Salary: \$23.65/hr. Deadline: Fri., Feb. 17, 2017 Position: ADRC Coordinator Department: Human Services - ADRC Full-Time Hiring Salary Range: \$55,000-\$60,574 Deadline: Wed., Feb. 22, 2017 Position: Elderly Benefit Specialist Department: Human Services - ADRC Full-Time Hiring Salary Range: \$36,250-\$45,313 Deadline: Fri., Feb. 10, 2017	Position: Jailer Department: Sheriff Department - Jail Full-Time Starting Salary: \$20.80/hr. Deadline: Fri., Feb. 17, 2017 Position: Dog Pound Assistant Department: Sanitation, Planning, Zoning & Dog Control On-Call Position Hiring Salary: \$8.00/hr. Deadline: Open until filled Position: Volunteer Driver Department: Senior Services Volunteer with reimbursement of \$0.53/mile. Rolling Hills Nursing Home is accepting applications for the following: Position: RN Supervisor Full-Time pm shift (3pm-11pm) Salary varies based on experience – More details available upon request Position: Registered Nurse Part-time Night shift (11pm-7am) Salary varies based on experience – More details available upon request	Position: Licensed Practical Nurse Part-time shifts available Salary varies based on experience – More details available upon request Position: Certified Nursing Assistant Full-time pm shift (3pm-11pm), Full-time night shift (11pm-7am), Part-time all shifts, and On-Call Salary varies based on experience – More details available upon request Position: Support Aide Limited Term Employee Minimum Salary: \$10.00/hr. Position: Dietary Aide/Cook Part-Time & On-Call Available Salary varies based on experience – More details available upon request Position: Student Dietary Aide On-Call Minimum Salary: \$9.53/hr. (Must be a full-time student and be at least 16 years old, up to the age of 25)
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NOTICE AND RULES OF
GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation has called a General Primary Election. ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS and the Election Code (2 HCC Sec. 6), states in relevant part:

3. Elections, c. Primary Election and Runoff Elections.

(1) Primary Elections shall be held prior to an Election with three (3) or more candidates in order to ensure compliance with the majority vote requirement as provided for in paragraphs 1c and 1e, above.
(2) If no candidate in any Primary Election receives more than 50% of the votes cast in such Election, the two candidates with the highest vote totals from the Primary Election (and any candidates) tied with the lower of such totals) shall appear on the ballot in the Runoff Election. When there are two (2) seats vacant in a district, the top two (2) vote getters for any vacant seats, if no candidate has received 50% + 1 vote, shall be on the ballot for the General Election or Runoff Election. (3) Primary Elections shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by this Code and in accordance with the timetable adopted by the Election Board.

THE FOLLOWING
TERMS OF FOUR (4)
YEARS WILL BE
VACANT:

- Legislature
District 1:
July 2017 – June 2021
Seat 1
Lance Blackdeer
Pierre J. Decorah
Willette A.Greengrass
Thomas Redbird III
George O. Stacy
Karena Thundercloud
Angelina L. Waege
Seat 3
Cari Fay
Matthew Mann
Lori Pettibone
Michael J. Rave
Hinū (Helgesen) Smith
District 2:
July 2017 – June 2021
Seat 2
Roberta M. Decorah
James Greendeer
Kristin K.WhiteEagle
Seat 3
Sherman J. Funmaker
Carly Lincoln
Winona Mann
Savannah Dee Shegonee
Marlys Whiteagle
District 3:
July 2017 – June 2021
Seat 2
Darren Brinegar
Lawrence Walker, Jr.

- District 5:
July 2017 – June 2021
Seat 1
Joe Brown Thunder
Kathleen V. Lone Tree-Whiterabbit
Seat 3
Gregory A. Littlejohn
Robert V. Two Bears
Seat 4
Matt Mullen
Patrick C. Red Eagle
Associate Justice 1
Four (4) Year Term
July 2017 – June 2021
Tricia Zunker

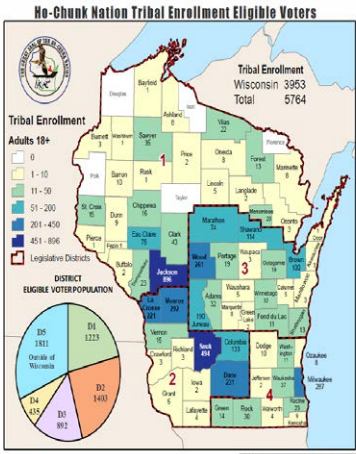
ELIGIBLE VOTERS:
Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Board Code Sec.11 (c).
REGISTRATION:
Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:
Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.
The Election Board will rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. Section 11(c) iii, (Deadline Thursday, February 16, 2017).

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O Box 756
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidates (s) list to Election Board is Friday, February 17, 2017 @ 4:30 p.m.
ABSENTEE VOTING:
A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Monday, February 27, 2017 by 4:00 P.M. See Election Board Code, section 13(a), i
Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number.

Please check eligible voter's lists for your Districts. District 5 all areas outside the state of Wisconsin



Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 7, 2017. Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:
The Election Board will certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:
Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:
There will be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

GENERAL PRIMARY
ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, March 7, 2017
POST NOTICE OF
ELECTION
Monday, December 5, 2016
POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS
LIST
Monday, February 6, 2017
CHALLENGES TO THE
ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR
TO 4:30 PM
Thursday, February 16, 2017
LAST DAY TO REQUEST
ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Monday, February 27, 2017
4:00 PM
GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 6, 2017

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